

# Water District 67

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WATER RESOURCES WESTERN REGION

Watermaster: Bosco Bosler

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Secretary: Mary Ellen Pugh

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#### **ANNUAL MEETING OF WATER DISTRICT 67**

## **FEBRUARY 4, 2002**

The annual meeting of Water District 67 was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Vernon Lolley at Kay's Café on February 4, 2002.

Vernon Lolley called for nominations for Chairman. Milton Kerner nominated Paul Striker, seconded by Lloyd Roberts. Harmon Horton nominated Vern Lolley, seconded by John Sachtjen. Lloyd Roberts then asked that the vote be done by shares. Since there were so many questions, Gary Spackman from the Department of Water Resources reviewed the code which simply stated that there is one vote for every \$1 of assessment. After a lengthy discussion, it was determined that Bosco had the figures necessary to define how the vote should proceed. With the areas represented Weiser Irrigation had the majority interest, and they cast their vote for Vernon.

| Sunnyside         | \$ 96.26   |
|-------------------|------------|
| Weiser Irrigation | \$5,768.28 |
| Middle Valley     | \$1,576.68 |
| Weiser Cove       | \$1,957.40 |
| Mann's Creek      | \$ 509.86  |

In an effort to save time Harmon Horton made a motion to re-elect all those currently serving the Water District with the exception of the Watermaster. This motion was seconded by Paul Striker and the motion carried. Therefore, Mary Ellen Pugh will again serve as secretary/treasurer and the Credential Committee and Advisory Committee will remain the same as well.

### <u>Credential Committee</u>

Butch Snorgrass
John Sachtjen
Laurie Chandler
Vernon Lolley

Council
Cambridge
Monroe Creek
Weiser

Harmon Horton Paul Striker Midvale Mann's Creek

# **Advisory Committee**

Ladell Merk
Randy Noah
John Sachtjen
Wendell Walker
Harmon Horton
Paul Striker
Laurie Chandler
Vernon Lolley
John Lewallen

Council
Cambridge
Cambridge
Sunnyside
Midvale
Mann's Creek
Monroe Creek

Weiser

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Next Paul Striker made a motion to elect deputies for the 2002 season. They are as follows:

Norma Ratcliff Bruce Gochnour Robert Stringer Jacqueline Wray Jim Brown Council Galloway Sunnyside Weiser

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Mann's Creek/Monroe Creek

Rush Creek

Dan Nelson Gerald Myers

Watermaster Substitute, \$70/day

This motion was seconded by Gilbert Ball and carried unanimously.

Harmon Horton nominated Bosco Bosler as Watermaster, seconded by John Sachtjen, and Bosco was elected without opposition. Bosco then presented the proposed budget for the coming season. Gary Spackman wrote a letter to the district informing them of the salaries of watermasters in the Boise and Payette water districts since they are comparable in size. They range from \$40,000—60,000. At the meeting Gary stated that although the Idaho Water User's Association is doing a fine job, he personally thought it would be important to compensate our watermaster adequately. Therefore, Harmon Horton made a motion to delete the \$3,500 dues to the IWUA, increase the watermaster salary by \$500 and give him an allowance of \$250 for the use of his cell phone. Paul Striker seconded these changes to the proposed budget, and the motion carried. The budget is attached to these minutes.

There was some discussion regarding the Idaho Water User's Association. Although some views have changed, they generally do a good job representing our interests. However, it was the general consensus that too much of their resources were being spent on overhead. Therefore, the group chose to withdraw their membership for the time being.

Gary addressed the group and stated that precipitation is currently at 109% of normal. Also, due to shortages of personnel and budget at Water Resources, we can expect to see the deadline for re-adjudication of our district slide to 2004/5. We will be one of the last to be visited. He stated that the process is now far enough along that there are only 1—2% of the water rights contested.

Once a preliminary report is sent to the landowner, most issues are resolved before a final report is issued, and the court usually follows the recommendation.

He also mentioned that it would be most helpful and expedient to contact Bosco first with any problems. Bosco reiterated the need to know of the problem before he can start to address it. As always, good communication is the key to solving problems. Bosco's cell phone number is 550-1225.

Harmon Horton made a motion to notify Washington and Adams Counties to collect the money for Water District 67 through the tax system and send it to the district. Jerry Myers seconded this motion, and it carried unanimously.

Paul Striker made a motion to hold the next annual meeting for Water District 67 on Monday, February 3, 2003, at 1 p.m. at Kay's Café and to pay the café \$30 for the use of their room. Harmon seconded the motion and the motion carried. John Sachtjen made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Harmon. The meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

#### Those in attendance were:

| Ken Roberts    | Bosco Bosler    | John Sachtjen  |
|----------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Harmon Horton  | Jim Williams    | Sarah Schwartz |
| Jerry Myers    | Bruce Gochnour  | Art Correia    |
| Wendell Walker | Darin Walker    | Lloyd Roberts  |
| Paul Striker   | Milton Kerner   | Gary Farrens   |
| Jeri Bemis     | Gilbert Ball    | Gary Spackman  |
| Vernon Lolley  | Mary Ellen Pugh |                |

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Ellen Pugh Secretary/Treasurer

Vernon Lolle

Chairman

#### Attachment

cc: Adams County
Washington County
Bosco Bosler
Department of Water Resources